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DONALD W. REYNOLDS RAZORBACK STADIUM

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GAME NOTES

- » **LB Xavian Sorey Jr.** led Arkansas with 11 tackles, including one tackle for loss and a pass breakup. It marked the second game Sorey Jr. led the Razorbacks in tackles this season. He previously accomplished the feat in a win over Arkansas State on Sept. 13, when he collected a career-high 15 tackles. It was his sixth career double-digit tackle game, which is the most among all active Hogs.
- » With two rushing touchdowns, **QB Taylen Green** moved into fifth in career rushing touchdowns by an Arkansas quarterback with 13. It marked Green's fourth multi-rushing TD game as a Hog and his first this season. It was his ninth multi-rushing TD game of his career.
- » **WR Raylen Sharpe** has caught at least one pass in 36 consecutive games dating back to Sept. 24, 2022, while at Missouri State. His 36-game reception streak is tied for the fourth-longest mark nationally.
- » **RB Mike Washington Jr.** eclipsed the 100-yard rushing mark for the sixth time in his career and third time since joining the Razorbacks with 147 yards on 16 carries. He is the 13th Arkansas player in history to eclipse the 100-yard rushing mark against Texas A&M. Washington Jr. is the first Hog to accomplish the feat since QB KJ Jefferson (105) in 2022 and first Arkansas halfback to do so since RB Rakeem Boyd (100) in 2020.
- » The Razorbacks' 212 consecutive extra-points made streak, which began on Dec. 5, 2020, is the second-longest such streak nationally based on date, behind Northwestern (Oct. 24, 2020).
- » **OL Fernando Carmona Jr.** started his 44th consecutive game on the offensive line, dating back to his redshirt freshman season at San Jose State in 2022.
- » Through seven games this season, Arkansas has scored on the opening drive in six games which eclipsed last season's total of five.
- » **DL Frank Mulipola** made his first tackles as a Razorback with three tackles, including a pair of solo stops, in the second quarter.
- » **QB Taylen Green** became only the second Arkansas QB to pass for three or more touchdowns and rush for two or more touchdowns in a game since 1997. KJ Jefferson was the only other to do so when he threw for three and ran for three during a 52-51 loss at No. 17 Ole Miss on Oct. 9, 2021.
- » **WR O'Mega Blake** led Arkansas in receptions (7) and receiving yards (118) while registering a receiving touchdown. It marked the fifth game this season that Blake has led the Hogs in both categories. The 118-yard performance was his fifth 100-yard receiving game and second as a Hog.
- » Arkansas posted its fifth 500-yard game this season with 527 yards of total offense. It marked the ninth 500+ yard game for the Razorbacks since Bobby Petrino began his stint as the Hogs' offensive playcaller at the start of the 2024 season.
- » **RB Mike Washington Jr.** became the first Razorback to rush for 100+ yards in consecutive games against an SEC opponent since Alex Collins in 2015. Collins accomplished the feat against LSU (16 rushes, 141 yards, 2 TD) and Ole Miss (17 rushes, 108 yards).

STARTERS

ARKANSAS

QB TAYLEN GREEN
RB MIKE WASHINGTON JR.
WR O'MEGA BLAKE
WR CJ BROWN
TE ROHAN JONES
TE JADEN PLATT
LT COREY ROBINSON II
LG FERNANDO CARMONA JR
C CADEN KITLER
RG KOBE BRANHAM
RT E'MARION HARRIS

DE CHARLIE COLLINS
DT CAM BALL
WR IAN GEFFRARD
DE QUINCY RHODES JR.
LB STEPHEN DIX JR.
LB XAVIAN SOREY JR.
CB JULIAN NEAL
S CALEB WOODEN
S LARRY WORTH
CB KANI WALKER
NB JORDAN YOUNG

TEXAS A&M

QB MARCEL REED
RB REUBEN OWENS II
WR ASHTON BETHEL-ROMAN
WR KC CONCEPCION
TE THEO MELIN OHRSTROM
TE NATE BOERKIRCHER
OL MARK NABOU JR.
OL AR'MAJ REED-ADAMS
OL TREY ZUHN III
OL CHASE BISONTIS
OL DAMETRIOUS CROWNOVER

DL TYLER ONYEDIM
DL ALBERT REGIS
DL T.J. SEARCY
DL CASHIUS HOWELL
LB TAUREAN YORK
LB DAYMION SANFORD
DB DEZZ RICKS
DB DALTON BROOKS
DB MARCUS RATCLIFFE
DB WILL LEE III
DB CASHIUS HOWELL

WEATHER

67°

CLOUDY

GAME INFO

CAPTAINS

Cam Ball, Fernando Carmona, Taylen Green, Xavian Sorey

COIN TOSS

Texas A&M won the toss and elected to defer to the second half

UNIFORMS

ARK - Red Helmet, Red Jersey, Red Pants
TAMU - White Helmet, White Jersey, White Pants

ATTENDANCE

73,845

ARK SCORING

FIELD GOAL | 1Q | 11:21

Scott Starzyk 22-yard field goal

FIELD GOAL | 1Q | 11:17

Scott Starzyk 22-yard field goal

TOUCHDOWN | 2Q | 1:51

Taylen Green 27-yard rush

TOUCHDOWN | 2Q | 0:02

Blake 7-yard pass from Green

TOUCHDOWN | 3Q | 4:28

Taylen Green 1-yard rush

TOUCHDOWN | 4Q | 11:30

Platt 4-yard pass from Green

TOUCHDOWN | 4Q | 0:10

CJ Brown 4-yard pass from Green



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Bobby Petrino, Arkansas Interim Head Coach

Opening Statement:

"You know, when you play a game like that, it is a heck of a football game for the second week in a row. Our guys competed hard, but that's not what we're out there to try to do. We're out there to try to win. One thing I wanted to make clear in the locker room was that it's a team loss. You know, the offense's job is to outscore them by at least one point. The defensive job is to hold them to one less point, and special teams has got to give us some plays. We didn't accomplish that. I am proud of how hard they competed. I'm proud of how hard they prepared for it, and the fact that we continued to come back and get in a position to give us a chance. We're just making too many mistakes right now to be able to just score every time we have the ball. And defensively, we came up with some stops at times. We defended the run better at times, but then we rushed past the quarterback a number of times. A guy that can run like that, you can't rush past the quarterback. We had our defensive tackles and ends at least four times all past the depth of the quarterback and ended up killing us with that. So there's a lot of good there's a lot of things to correct. One thing's for sure, we're going to keep working hard at it. We're gonna have a good attitude, and we're gonna keep competing and find a way to win."

On message after the game:

"I told them to keep their heads up. We came in here to show that we were going to compete. We were well prepared. We played physical and tough and never gave in. We wanted to play one play at a time and find a way to win in the fourth quarter. I was proud of the way the defense stuck together and kept competing. Obviously, we gave up some things but we also made plays to give us a chance to win. Now we have to stick together and continue to practice and prepare the way we did this last week. We are right there we just have to find a way to get over the hump."

On playing from behind:

"Yeah, I just kept waiting for a turnover. You know, at some point we're going to get some turnovers. So I felt like you get in that position, that we have a chance, an opportunity to get a turnover, and something good will happen. And, you know, obviously, they're a very good football team, and they're executing very well on offense right now, and we just weren't able to get the ball out."

On Taylen Green's game:

"I mean, he's tough as they come. You know, he's as tough as they come. He competed extremely hard. He threw the ball, ran the ball, operated the offense, changed protections and did everything he possibly could do to come up to get us the win. So to be able to come back in the game like that. I didn't know how hurt he was until the trainer came and talked to me, and I was a little bit surprised that he was going to be able to come back in the game, but, when he did, he was full speed and ready to go."

On the run game:

"I think Mike [Washington] was working. He was hitting the holes, making yards and almost breaking them. The offensive line was doing a nice job opening him up. We ran the ball early, kind of out of four wides, and spread them out a little bit. That helped us on certain drives. And then, we just did a good job of mixing it up and the offensive line blocking their two inside guys. Their linebackers are really good football players, really smart. They're not big, but their interior guys are a load, and if we could keep them covered up and then we get the ball to the second level, we had a chance."

On the locker room:

"We're going to keep competing. No question about it. These are good kids. They have stuck together and we're going to keep building on it. It's not going to be the last time in their life they go through hard times. It's going to mean a lot more when they have kids and their alarm clock goes off at 6 am and they don't feel good, they get up, go to work and do a good job anyway. That's what this is supposed to be about. So we're just going to keep pounding at that. I feel good about them every time I talk to them. They're very attentive. They look at me, look me in the eyes, and they want to win games. They want to win football games. We've got to give them a better opportunity as a staff to get that victory."

Taylen Green, Arkansas QB

On his takeaways for the night:

"There was some definitely some great plays and there's definitely some plays I want back. It's a four-quarter game, I love how this team fought till it said zero on the clock. I want to shout out the fans. That was a crazy atmosphere to be in, and the energy that they brought, you know, it fed us. Those are the type of games that you should come to Arkansas for. We didn't come out on top, but we just, you know, got to get over that hump."

On the team's attitude going forward and if they'll keep fighting:

"Definitely. Like I said in the preseason, everybody's care factor and passion for each other and love for each other, you know, it speaks volumes to how close we are. We have a lot of emotions just being frustrated and all that, but those are the times we just got to come together. Everybody that has been here since January or since the other transfer portal window [knows] the blood, sweat and tears we put into it. Everybody loves when everybody is winning. But, you know, it's about how we respond."



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Xavian Sorey Jr., Arkansas LB

On how to keep the team's confidence up:

"I would say just having guys like this, like Taylen, really everybody on the team does a good job at just keeping everybody up. They see somebody down or something like that, you know, they'll talk to them. Like Coach Petrino just told us after the game, it's a team game. You know what I mean? Not one person won or lost to us any game. So, it's just a team effort and we just got to keep each other up, stay around each other, stay close to each other and just keep fighting. We got more games, so we can either lay down or not. We're not choosing to lay down."

Mike Washington Jr., Arkansas RB

On how the offense performed against A&M's defense:

"You know, first I want to shout out the O-linemen. I'm gonna keep saying, I've been saying that since day one, we have the best O-line in the country. And I'm going to stand 10 toes on that, every day. You know, without them, the moves, they wouldn't have been there. Wouldn't have had, 147 yards."

On the offensive performance in the second half:

"It was emphasized all week that you we've got to score in the third quarter. I think the last few weeks we didn't score in the third quarter at all. And we kind of did the math on that, I believe it was 11 points or something like that. And we just emphasized that all week. When we went back out there after the first half, that was our mindset, was to score."



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TEXAS A&M QUOTES

Mike Elko, Texas A&M Head Coach

Opening Statement:

"I guess it doesn't matter where we play this game. That's just how this game's gonna go. Whether we play it in Jerry's World or if we play it on campuses. It's the 6th game that I've been part of with Texas A&M and Arkansas. It's the sixth one that has come down to the final drive in the fourth quarter. I'm glad that we had more points than them at the end of the game. Offensively, obviously, we played a really good football game. I thought that was Marcel's (Reed) best game of the year. He did a lot of things with his arm and his legs. He extended drives, did a really good job in the passing game, and spread the ball around. I thought we had some guys step up and make plays. It was great to see A.J. Smith step into a really strong role tonight, and obviously, he has the critical fourth and one run in the fourth quarter, where he goes and gets it. Ashton Bethel-Roman has two critical catches tonight. I think he had four total for the game. It was great to see that. We never, as hectic as it felt, because I felt like I was calling defense, the offense never let them get the ball back with a chance to take the lead. I thought that was huge. I think we never let them actually touch the ball with a chance to go up. It's a credit to our offense, it's a credit to what they did defensively. We picked a really bad night to play bad football. We didn't play anywhere near the standard of Texas A&M football, ever, at any point during the course of the game. We battled, but it just wasn't good enough and when you do that against a really good offense, that's what happens. Obviously, (Taylen Green) is a tremendous player, hats off to him, because every time I felt like we were kind of trying to get a grasp of the game, he did something remarkable to keep it in their hands. That's what you get in this conference, you get really good players, and we've got to be way better."

On EJ Smith:

"I just think he's a talented back. We have a lot of talented backs. We continually talk about that. We knew there was going to be opportunities for other guys to get touches and carries tonight with (Le'Veon Moss) being down. It wasn't going to be just one guy, and he got going a little bit, got running behind his pads, and started running the ball really, really well. Obviously he's earned himself a lot more opportunities."

On Fourth-Down Conversions:

"I mean, we were going to be aggressive because we knew it was going to be a high scoring game. We knew our advantage was going to be our offense against their defense. We knew they were going to be able to score points and that it was a very challenging offense. It's been successful all year. We knew it was going to be the type of game. Two of them were fourth and less than a yard, and we talked about that a little bit last year. It kind of doesn't matter where it is, if it's fourth and less than a yard, I feel confident that we can get the first down, and you know, we were able to do it three times tonight."

Marcus Radcliffe, Texas A&M S

On the game coming down to the wire the last few years:

"I think (Coach) Elko always harps on the fact that every game in the SEC is a big game. So we go into the week not thinking that this is an easy game or that we should blow this team out. We know every game is going to be a dogfight. (Coach) Elko does a really good job of preaching that to us."

On Containing Taylen Green:

"He is a great athlete. He is a superior athlete, super fast, super quick, super long. Obviously, like you guys saw, that gave us some trouble."

On stopping the run game:

"I think usually missed fits in the run game, exactly that. It is a missed fit. One person should be in another gap rather than the gap they are in and that is usually the issue."

Ashton Bethel-Roman, Texas A&M WR

On the touchdown pass:

"I knew all week that they were playing inside leverage. Me and Marcel were connecting all week. I took what I did from practice and applied it to the game, and it worked out."

On playing at Arkansas:

"It felt good because I have been here so many times as a recruit and I signed here. I didn't end up coming, but it felt good, especially playing the guys at Arkansas. A lot of them are my guys, so it felt good."